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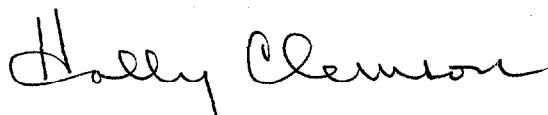
Dear U.S. Food and Drug Administration,

Please grant petition 98P-0151/CP1 to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals. It is impossible to move downed animals humanely, and they are typically pushed with tractors or dragged with chains. The animals' suffering is horrible and unconscionable.

Industry experts have estimated that 90 percent of downed animals can be prevented with better care and handling. Removing the market for downed animals will provide an incentive to the meat industry to prevent downed animals in the first place. Maybe we can force cattlemen to treat the animals with compassion.

There is no biological function in the human body that requires saturated fat, and saturated fat basically comes from animal sources. Allowing the slaughter of any poor sick animal, or even a well one for that matter, is certainly not doing us one healthy bit of good.

Thank you for your attention.


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